

Amendments to the Abstract

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

~~There is provided an~~ An ink jet recording apparatus, in which ink is ejected from a recording ~~means~~ head to a recording medium to carry out recording, ~~including~~ includes a cap which covers an ink ejection port of the recording ~~means~~ head, a cap holder which holds the cap, a cap base which rotatably and vertically movably supports the cap holder, and a base member which rotatably supports the cap ~~base, wherein, when~~ base. When the cap is separated from the recording ~~means~~ head by a predetermined distance, a position of the cap holder is controlled in a state in which the cap holder is oblique at a predetermined angle relative to the cap base so that an abutting plane of the cap is substantially parallel to an ink ejection port surface of the recording ~~means~~ head. According to the apparatus, the structure is compact and inexpensive, the cap member can be surely held in close contact with the ejection port surface of the recording ~~means~~ head with ~~constantly~~ a constant pressing force, and the ejection port surface can be covered while ~~the airtightness is surely held~~ surely maintaining airtightness.